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SUBJECT: FOUNDRY AT KUPYANSK

1. FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO IS CONSIDERING PARTICIPATION IN FINANCING OF APPROXIMATELY 30 MILLION DOLLARS LOAN IN SUPPORT OF COMBINED BID BY CHICAGO FIRMS COMBUSTION ENGINEERING AND NATIONAL ENGINEERING FOR SAND CASTING FOUNDRY WORTH ABOUT 60 MILLION DOLLARS AT KUPYANSK, APPARENTLY EAST OF KHARKOV. CHIEF COMPETITION IS REPORTED TO BE A WEST GERMAN FIRM.

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING WHETHER EMBASSY HAS ANY BACKGROUND ON KUPYANSK PROJECT, INCLUDING WHETHER PROPOSED FOUNDRIES WILL BE PART OF NEW OR EXTENSION OF EXISTING PLANT, FULL FUNCTION OF FOUNDRIES, COMPETITION FOR CHICAGO FIRMS, CLOSING DATES FOR BIDS. BANK WOULD PREFER THAT ITS INTEREST NOT BE DISCLOSED TO SOVIETS. PLEASE SLUG FOR BEWT/USSR. INGERSOLL

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